

PTO/SB/21 (09-06)

Approved for use through 03/31/2007. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

TRANSMITTAL FORM

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Total Number of Pages in This Submission

6 +

Application Number	10/585,551
Filing Date	07-10-2006
First Named Inventor	GIBBONS, GRAHAM WILLIAM
Art Unit	3711
Examiner Name	

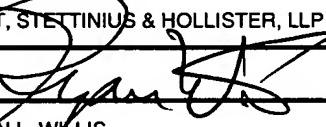
Attorney Docket Number

MUR07-GN004

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)

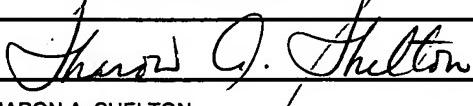
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to TC
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Change of Correspondence Address	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please Identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	<input type="checkbox"/> ITEMIZED RETURN POST CARD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Table on CD	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53		
Remarks		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (2 PGS), INCLUDING FORMS PTO/SB/08A & 08B (2 PGS) + COPIES OF FOREIGN AND NON-PATENT REFERENCES (5)		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm Name	TAFT, STETTINIUS & HOLLISTER, LLP		
Signature			
Printed name	RYAN L. WILLIS		
Date	11-30-2006	Reg. No.	48,787

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below:

Signature			
Typed or printed name	SHARON A. SHELTON	Date	11-30-2006

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.



Certificate of Mailing

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on:

11/30/2006
(Date)

Sharon A. Shelton
Sharon A. Shelton

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Applicant : Gibbons, Graham William
Serial No. : 10/585,551
Filed On : July 10, 2006
Title : PRACTICE PUTTING GREEN
Docket No. : MUR07-GN004
Examiner :
Art Unit : 3711

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, the Examiner's attention is directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-SB-08A and 08B. A copy of each of the foreign and non-patent listed references is provided.

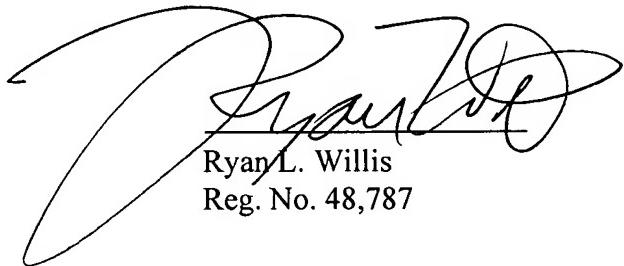
It has been alleged by a third party, McLogh Golf, that a copy of the enclosed leaflet was distributed prior to the priority date of the present application. However, Applicant has been unable to confirm this allegation. Accordingly, Applicant submits a copy of this leaflet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, but reserves the right to argue that this leaflet was not

Information Disclosure Statement
MUR07-GN004
Page 2

distributed prior to Applicant's priority date.

It is to be understood that the present disclosure of art is in no way intended to be a waiver of any arguments or defenses available to the Applicant under the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the statutes of the United States. No fee is required. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-3072.

Respectfully submitted,



Ryan L. Willis
Reg. No. 48,787

030074
TAFT, STETTINIUS & HOLLISTER LLP
425 Walnut Street, Suite 1800
Cincinnati, OH 45202-3957
(513) 357-9663
willis@taftlaw.com



PTO/SB/08A (09-06)

Approved for use through 03/31/2007. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1-49/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

of

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/585,551
Filing Date	07-10-2006
First Named Inventor	GIBBONS, GRAHAM WILLIAM
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	

Attorney Docket Number MUR07-GN004

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (<i>if known</i>)			
		US- 3,690,673	09-12-1972	OCCHIPINTI	
		US- 3,892,412	07-01-1975	KOO	
		US- 4,222,568	09-16-1980	RUSSO	
		US- 4,978,127	12-18-1990	JUEL, JR.	
		US- 5,002,280	03-2-1991	HINES	
		US- 5,441,265	08-15-1995	CODLIN	
		US- 5,655,971	08-12-1997	WAYNE	
		US- 5,855,522	01-05-1999	BEVAN	
		US- 5,863,256	01-26-1999	MacLEAN ET AL	
		US- 6,050,901	04-18-2000	DAVIS	
		US- 6,056,645	05-02-2000	SERVATIUS	
		US- 6,338,682 B1	01-15-2002	TORCHIA ET AL	
		US- 6,413,166 B1	07-02-2006	LONG	
		US- 2003/0190969 A1	10-09-2003	BARLOW ET AL	
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (<i>if known</i>)				
		EP 0 097 438 A1	01-04-1984	CAROLAN		
		GB 2 299 944 A	10-23-1996	FARR		
		WO 02/13919 A1	02-21-2002	PUTTRO CO LTD		
		GB 2 378 394 A	02-12-2003	HOOD		

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
--------------------	-----------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

<p>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</p> <p><i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i></p>		Complete if Known	
		Application Number	10/585,551
		Filing Date	07-10-2006
		First Named Inventor	GIBBONS, GRAHAM WILLIAM
		Art Unit	
Examiner Name			
Sheet 2	of 2	Attorney Docket Number	MUR07-GN004

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

***EXAMINER:** Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.